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REMARKS

Claim 69 is herewith amended to include the subject matter of claim 70 which was indicated as being allowable if rewritten in independent form. Claim 70 is cancelled.

Claims 77, 78 and 92 are amended to replace the word "pre-programmed" with the word "preselected", consistent with the specification (page 19, last sentence of paragraph 52; page 23, line 14, in paragraph 61).

Claim 103 is amended to state that the claimed duty cycles are "time-based."

To reduce the number of claims in this application, allowed claim 17 is amended to incorporate the elements of claim 18, which is cancelled; claims 21, 23-27, 29-31, 33, 62, 63, 66-68, 94, 96, 99 and 102 are cancelled; and the claim dependencies are appropriately amended, where necessary. Also, claims 111-120 are added. Of these, claims 111 and 116-120 are independent claims identical to allowed claims 1, 34, 47, 86, 87 and 95, except that the compartments are not stated to be "thermally isolated," which is believed to be unnecessary to distinguish over the prior art.

Therefore, claims 1-17, 19-20, 22, 28, 34-61, 64, 65, 69, 71-93, 95, 97, 98, 100, 101, and 103-120 will be pending upon entry of this amendment.

* Enclosed herewith is a Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement citing additional references from related application Ser. No. 10/680,626, filed October 7, 2003.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 19-1345 \$1,200 for six additional independent claims, and \$180 for the Third Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement. The Commissioner is also authorized to charge any deficiency or overpayment of any fees to Deposit Account No. 19-1345.

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CONCLUSION

In view of the foregoing, this application is believed to be in condition for allowance. If for some reason the application is not in condition for allowance, the examiner is invited to telephone the undersigned to expedite prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,



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